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TITLE: Driven equilibrium and fast-spin echo scanning

PUBLICATION-DATE: November 14, 2002

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PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20020177770

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20020177770 A1

TITLE: Assessing the condition of a joint and assessing cartilage loss

PUBLICATION-DATE: November 28, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20020087274

PGPUB-FILING-TYPE: new

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20020087274 A1

TITLE: Assessing the condition of a joint and preventing damage

PUBLICATION-DATE: July 4, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 702/19; 378/3



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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20020147392 A1

TITLE: Technique for manipulating medical images

PUBLICATION-DATE: October 10, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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US-CL-CURRENT: 600/407



5. Document ID: US 5825185 A Relevance Rank: 71

L2: Entry 8 of 11 File: USPT Oct 20, 1998

US-PAT-NO: 5825185

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5825185 A



TITLE: Method for magnetic resonance spin echo scan calibration and reconstruction

DATE-ISSUED: October 20, 1998

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Liu; Haiying Minneapolis MN Bearden; Francis H. Twinsburg OH DeMeester; Gordon D. Wickliffe OH

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APPL-NO: 08/ 757153

DATE FILED: November 27, 1996

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US-CL-ISSUED: 324/309; 324/307 US-CL-CURRENT: 324/309; 324/307

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PRIOR-ART-DISCLOSED:

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ART-UNIT: 287

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Arana; Louis M.

ABSTRACT:

A transmitter (24) and gradient amplifiers (20) transmit radio frequency excitation and other pulses to induce magnetic resonance in selected magnetic dipoles and cause the magnetic resonance to be focused into a series of echoes (66) at each of a plurality of preselected echo positions following each excitation. A receiver (38) converts each echo into a data line. Calibration data lines having a close to zero phase-encoding are collected and used to generate correction parameters (102) for each of the echo positions. These parameters include relative echo center positions (96) and unitary complex correction vectors (106). The calibration data lines for each of the preselected positions are one-dimensionally Fourier transformed (82) and multiplied (90) by the same complex conjugate reference echo (80). These data lines are then inverse Fourier transformed (92) to generate an auxiliary data array (94). A relative echo center position is computed (96) which represents a fractional shift of the true center relative to the reference echo. A complex sum is computed (104) from the relative echo center position and normalized (106) to generate a unitary correction vector. The phase-correction parameters are used to phase-correct (116) imaging data lines. The phase-corrected imaging data lines are sorted (122) to build an image plane which is one-dimensionally Fourier transformed (128) in the phase-encoding direction to produce a final corrected image (130) for display on a monitor (134).

18 Claims, 7 Drawing figures

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PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20030015208

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20030015208 A1

TITLE: Methods to diagnose treat and prevent bone loss

PUBLICATION-DATE: January 23, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Lang, Philipp Lexington MA US Arnaud, Claude Mill Valley CA US

US-CL-CURRENT: 600/562

Full Title Citation Front Review Classification Date Reference Sequences Attachments
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7. Document ID: US 5245282 A Relevance Rank: 52

L2: Entry 11 of 11

File: USPT

Sep 14, 1993

US-PAT-NO: 5245282

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5245282 A

TITLE: Three-dimensional magnetic resonance imaging

DATE-ISSUED: September 14, 1993

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 07/ 723230

DATE FILED: June 28, 1991

INT-CL: [05] G01R 33/20

US-CL-ISSUED: 324/309 US-CL-CURRENT: 324/309

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 324/300, 324/307, 324/309, 324/312, 324/318, 324/322, 128/653.2

PRIOR-ART-DISCLOSED:

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

PAT-NO	ISSUE-DATE	PATENTEE-NAME	US-CL
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4801884	January 1989	Oppelt et al.	324/309
4818942	April 1989	Rzedzian	324/312
4830012	May 1989	Riederer	128/653
4833407	May 1989	Holland et al.	324/309
4836209	June 1989	Nishimura	128/653
4843321	June 1989	Sotak	324/309
4856528	August 1989	Yang et al.	128/653
4895157	January 1990	Nambu	128/653
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4940941	July 1990	Rzedzian	324/312
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ART-UNIT: 263

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Tokar; Michael J.

ABSTRACT:

A new three-dimensional (3D) MR imaging pulse sequence can produce over 100 high-resolution, high-contrast images in as little as 6 minutes of imaging time. Without additional imaging time, this same image data can be post-processed to yield high-resolution, high-contrast images in any arbitrary orientation. Thus, this new pulse sequence technique provides detailed yet comprehensive coverage. The method of this invention relates to a preparation-acquisition-recovery sequence cycle. The first step is magnetization preparation (MP) period. The MP period can emply a series of RF pulses, gradient field pulses, and/or time delays to encode the desired contrast properties in the form of longitudinal magnetization. A data acquisition period includes at least two repetitions of a gradient echo sequence to acquire data for a fraction of k-space. A magnetization recovery period is provided which allows T1 and T2 relaxation before the start of the next sequence cycle. The MP, data acquisition and magnetization recovery steps are repeated until a predetermined k-space volume is sampled.

44 Claims, 6 Drawing figures

Full Title Citation Front Review Classification Date Reference Sequences Attachments

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8. Document ID: US 5742163 A Relevance Rank: 51

L2: Entry 9 of 11

File: USPT

Apr 21, 1998

US-PAT-NO: 5742163



'DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5742163 A

TITLE: Magnetic resonance scan calibration and reconstruction technique for multi-shot,

multi-echo imaging

DATE-ISSUED: April 21, 1998

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 08/ 638643

DATE FILED: April 26, 1996

INT-CL: [06] G01 V 3/00

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PAT-NO	ISSUE-DATE	PATENTEE-NAME	US-CL
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ART-UNIT: 225

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Arana; Louis M.

ABSTRACT:

·A sequence control (40) causes a transmitter (24) and gradient amplifiers (20) to transmit radio frequency excitation and other pulses to induce magnetic resonance in selected dipoles and cause the magnetic resonance to be focused into a series of echoes in each of a plurality of data collection intervals following each excitation. A receiver (38) converts each echo into a data line. Calibration data lines having a close to zero phase-encoding are collected during each of the data collection intervals. The calibration data lines in each data collection interval are zero-filled (86) to generate a complete data set and Fourier transformed (88) into a series of low resolution complex images (90.sub.1, 90.sub.2, . . . 90.sub.n), each corresponding to one of the data collection intervals. The low resolution images are normalized (92) and their complex conjugates taken (94). Imaging data lines are sorted by a data collection interval and zero-filled (104) to create full data sets. The full data set corresponding to each data sampling interval is Fourier transformed into partial image representations (106.sub.1, 106.sub.2, 106.sub.n). Each partial image is multiplied (108) by a complex conjugate of the normalized phase correction map (96) to create corrected partial images which are summed (112) to generate a composite image (114). The composite images are density corrected (120).

20 Claims, 11 Drawing figures

Full Title Citation Front Review Classification Date Reference Sequences Attachments

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9. Document ID: US 6219571 B1

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L2: Entry 7 of 11

File: USPT

Apr 17, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6219571

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6219571 B1

TITLE: Magnetic resonance imaging using driven equilibrium fourier transform

DATE-ISSUED: April 17, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 09/ 280223

DATE FILED: March 29, 1999

PARENT-CASE:

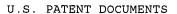
This application is a continuation of and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/080,904 filed Apr. 6, 1998, the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference.

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FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 600/410, 324/307, 324/309

PRIOR-ART-DISCLOSED:



PAT-NO	ISSUE-DATE	PATENTEE-NAME	US-CL
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4509015	April 1985	Ordidge et al.	324/309
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4665365	May 1987	Glover et al.	324/309
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Van Uijen, C.M.J. et al., "<u>Driven-Equilibrium</u> Radiofrequency Pulses in NMR Imaging,"

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ART-UNIT: 377

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Casler; Brian L.

ABSTRACT:

A new technique for imaging a material with a high T2/T1 ratio such as articular cartilage uses driven equilibrium Fourier transform (DEFT), a method of enhancing signal strength without waiting for full T1 recovery. Compared to other methods, DEFT imaging provides a good combination of bright cartilage and high contrast between cartilage and surrounding tissue. Both theoretical predictions and images show that DEFT is a valuable method for imaging articular cartilage when compared to spoiled gradient recalled acquisition in the steady-state (SPGR) or fast spin echo (FSE). T2-decay, T1 recovery, echo time, magnetization density, proton density, and equilibrium density per proton are related by a derived equation.

16 Claims, 22 Drawing figures

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US-PAT-NO: 5285158

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5285158 A

TITLE: NMR angiography using fast pulse sequences with preparatory pulses

DATE-ISSUED: February 8, 1994

INVENTOR - INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 07/ 926658

DATE FILED: August 6, 1992

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FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 324/306, 324/309, 324/307, 324/300, 128/653.3, 128/653.2

PRIOR-ART-DISCLOSED:

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

PAT-NO	ISSUE-DATE	PATENTEE-NAME	US-CL
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4800889	January 1989	Dumoulin	324/309
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ART-UNIT: 267

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Tokar; Michael J.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Mah; Raymond Y.

ABSTRACT:

An angiogram is produced using NMR fast pulse sequences in which the views are acquired in shots preceded by a preparatory pulse sequence. Each shot is acquired twice with differing preparatory pulse sequences and the resulting NMR data is subtracted to null the stationary tissues in the reconstructed image.

8 Claims, 6 Drawing figures



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File: PGPB

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PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20030030435

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20030030435 A1

TITLE: Method for coherent steady-state imaging of constant-velocity flowing fluids

PUBLICATION-DATE: February 13, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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